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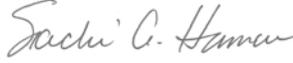
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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
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Honorable Board of Commissioners
Housing Authority of the
County of Los Angeles
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SACHI A. HAMAI
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Commissioners:

**APPROVE AMENDMENTS TO COUNTYWIDE ASBESTOS AND LEAD
CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENTS (ALL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTE)**

SUBJECT

On February 6, 2008, your Board approved one-year Asbestos and Lead Consulting Services Agreements (Agreements) with eight firms, in the aggregate amount of \$80,000. Your Board also approved the option to extend the Agreements contingent upon the availability of funds. This letter recommends approval of amendments to extend the Agreements by two years and to allocate an aggregate amount of \$80,000 per year.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Find that approval of amendments to the Agreements is not subject to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act because the action will not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment.
2. Approve and authorize the Acting Executive Director to execute amendments to the Housing Authority's eight Asbestos and Lead Consulting Services Agreements, following approval as to form by County Counsel, to extend the Agreements for two years, in one year increments, at an aggregate amount of \$80,000 per year.



3. Authorize the Acting Executive Director to incorporate \$80,000 into the Housing Authority's Fiscal Year 2008-2009 budget for the second year of the Agreements.
4. Authorize the Acting Executive Director to increase the aggregate compensation amount for each year by up to \$8,000 for any unforeseen costs.

PURPOSE /JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

These actions will provide for asbestos and lead consulting services for the development and rehabilitation of affordable housing, commercial and other facilities benefiting the County.

FISCAL IMPACT TO THE COUNTY/ FINANCING

There is no impact on the County general fund.

The Agreements will use a maximum aggregate amount of \$80,000 per year. Funds for the second year will be incorporated into the Housing Authority's Fiscal Year 2008-2009 budget, while funds for the third year will be included through the Housing Authority's annual budget process. A 10% contingency, in the maximum aggregate amount of \$8,000 per year, is being set aside for unforeseen costs.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

On February 6, 2008, your Board approved one-year Asbestos and Lead Consulting Services Agreements with eight firms, in the aggregate amount of \$80,000. Your Board also approved the option to extend the Agreements for two additional years, in one-year increments, contingent upon the availability of funds. However, your Board did not allocate funds for the extensions at that time. This letter recommends that the Agreements be extended by two years, in one year increments, and funded at the same aggregate amount of \$80,000 per year.

The firms perform the following services for the Housing Authority: asbestos surveys; project design and monitoring (including review of construction contract documents, plans and specifications); limited (component-specific) sampling; abatement feasibility studies; pre-abatement (baseline) testing; cost estimates; on-site abatement monitoring during construction; clearance testing; and waste handling and disposal. The eight firms are assigned projects on an as-needed basis and receive compensation based on services performed.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

This action is exempt from the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act pursuant to 24 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 58, Section 58.34 (a)(3) because it involves administrative activities that will not have a physical impact or result in any physical changes to the environment. This action is not subject to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Sections 15060(c)(3) and 15378, because it is not defined as a project under CEQA and does not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment.

IMPACT ON CURRENT PROGRAMS

The proposed amendments will facilitate the continued provision of Countywide asbestos and/or lead consulting services for the development and/or rehabilitation of affordable housing, commercial and other facilities throughout the County of Los Angeles.

Respectfully submitted,



CORDÉ D. CARRILLO
Acting Executive Director